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NEWS RELEASE

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Action taken by Branson Board of Aldermen

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EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The Branson Board of Aldermen recognized Detective Daniel Smithson as the November 2014 Employee of the Month. Detective Smithson was driving on an unrelated task when he heard over the radio a call about a child choking. Recognizing that he was the closest officer to the location, he quickly responded and found the child not breathing. He began CPR, and

continued until the paramedics arrived, contributing directly to the survival of the child. The Board recognized his for his excellence and service to our community.



Daniel Smithson is presented his plaque by Alderman Rick Todd

CONSENT AGENDA - SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE BILLS

Minutes

The Board approved the minutes from various recent meetings.

One-Way Streets

The Board approved the final reading of a bill amending chapter 86 of the Municipal Code regarding one-way streets. This ordinance will change several alleys in downtown:

- The alley that connects the 100 block of S. Commercial to the 100 block of S. Sycamore will become one-way eastbound
- The alley that connects the 100 block of N. Commercial to the 100 block of Veterans Blvd, which is currently one-way, will be allowed to hold two-way traffic.

Stop Signs

The Board approved the final reading of a bill amending chapter 86 of the Municipal Code regarding stop signs. The ordinance will re-orient the stop signs at the corner of Terrace Rd. and Champagne Blvd, so that the stop will be on Terrace, rather than Champagne.

Liquor Code

The Board approved the final reading of a bill amending chapter 10 of the Municipal Code to make several changes. These changes come in anticipation of two of the limited packaged liquor sales licenses that are currently available to a new seller. This is intended to prevent a speculative buyer from obtaining the license.

- The minimum amount of sales by a licensee was increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000.
- The definitions require the licensee to be a retail operation.
- Clarifies the random selection process for qualified applicants seeking one of the available licenses.

Budgeting

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving the renewal of the contract with the Center for Priority Based Budgeting. The center has been working with the City staff over the past year, on preparing a new program for prioritizing city programs and expenses. The process is expected to continue throughout 2015.

Planned Development

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving an amendment to the planned development in Branson Hills, to include additional property at 1701 Branson Hills Parkway. This is a vacant 5.5-acre parcel west of the RecPlex. The developer is seeking to develop additional housing similar to The Greens duplexes to the southeast of the RecPlex.

HVAC Controls

The Board approved the final reading of a bill amending the agreement with Johnson Controls. They handle the maintenance, repair and programming of the air conditioning systems at various city buildings.

Golf Course Maintenance

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Green Side Up lawn care for the maintenance of the city-owned Don Gardner Golf Course. They handle mowing, greens care, disease identification and more for the specialized lawn care needed for golf courses.

Landscaping Supplies

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of BWI of Springfield regarding the purchase of agricultural supplies. This contract includes such supplies as grass seed, chemicals and fertilizers.

Waste Contract

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of WCA Waste Corporation regarding waste removal for various city facilities.

IT Support

The Board approved the final reading of a bill renewing the contract with Dazzee Integration pertaining to information technology outsourcing, monitoring, maintenance, management and support.

IT Strategic Plan

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting a proposal of Nexlevel Information Technology, Inc. to prepare a strategic plan for the city's information technology. The plan will guide technology implementation, security and staff training over all departments.

Chemical Disposal

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Tradebe Environmental Services, LLC pertaining to household chemical disposal. The city Recycle Center offers household chemical collection, and this contract allows for disposal of these collections.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS (1st Readings and public hearings)

2015 Budget

The Board held a public hearing and approved the first reading of a bill adopting the 2015 budget, which covers the calendar year from January 1 to December 31, 2015. This includes:

- The 2015 Municipal Budget
- 5 Year Capital Program
- Employee Insurance Rates
- Pay/Merit Plan
- Budget Reserve Policy

Municipal Code

The Board approved the first reading of a bill approving a contract amendment with Municode, who is working on a full review of the City of Branson Municipal Code.

Liquor Code

The Board approved the first reading of a bill vacating a drainage easement in the Greens, Phase II development. This is an expansion of the senior-living duplex development, on Branson Hills Parkway, that is nearing completion.

Pre-Annexation Agreements

The Board approved the first reading of several bills approving Pre-Annexation agreements with various parties. This type of agreement is typical when a property needs to connect to the City of Branson sewer system, but is not adjacent to the city limits. The agreement allows the properties to be annexed when they become adjacent.

- 155 Lilac Drive, in the Spring Creek North Subdivision
- 634 Meadow Lane, in the Hidden Meadow Phase II Subdivision
- 1527 Bee Creek Road, just north of the entrance road into Bee Creek Apartments.

Water Towers

The Board approved the first reading of a bill approving a renewal of a contract with Utility Service Company, Inc. for the renovation and maintenance program of the City's water towers. The City pays this annual contract as part of an every-10-years full maintenance program for each of our City water towers.

BIDS

Utility Chemicals

The Board approved the first reading of a series of bids accepting the proposal of various vendors of chemicals used in the process of water treatment and wastewater. The City operates two water plants, and two sewer plants.

- Chemtrade Chemicals US
- Thatcher Company of Montana, Inc.
- Brenntag Mid-South, Inc.

Police Radios

The Board approved the first reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Radiophone Engineering, Inc. for the maintenance of communications equipment used by the Police Department.

RESOLUTIONS

Convention Center Budget

The Board approved a resolution approving the annual operating budget and capital renewals budget of the Branson Convention Center for the calendar year of 2015.

Appointments

The Board approved a resolution re-appointing Don Baker and Glenda Justus to the Branson Housing Authority. Both will serve 3-year terms expiring in 2018.

(Background materials on all agenda items, including audio of the entire Board of Aldermen meeting can be accessed by going to www.bransonmo.gov and clicking on the "Agendas & Minutes" button on the right side of the website homepage.)